The Story of Idaho's Tommy Trout



Dive Into Aquaculture with Tommy Trout

Tommy Trout grew up on a farm...a fish farm. Here, in Idaho's Magic Valley, in the crystal clean waters that pour into the Snake River, Tommy and his friends were born and raised.

Pure, Clean Water

The water at the Clear Springs Rainbow Trout farms comes from natural underground springs. It's always perfectly clean, full of oxygen and 58° F, the perfect temperature for raising healthy Rainbow Trout.





Tommy's Birthday

All trout begin life as eggs. On the farm, they're fertilized and placed in cold water incubators with lots of oxygen, just the way they like it.

25 Days Old

Tommy's still an egg, but his eyes are showing.



35 Days Old

The eggs have hatched. Tommy is now called a "small fry." He and his friends live in indoor ponds called raceways until they are 3 inches long.



3-10 Months Old

The small fry move to outdoor raceways where they keep growing. Sometimes they are moved to ponds with other trout the same size. Trout farmers wear special waterproof pants called waders to work in the raceways.



Tommy is an adult Rainbow Trout now. He's about 14 inches long and weighs 14 ounces, (just under one pound.)



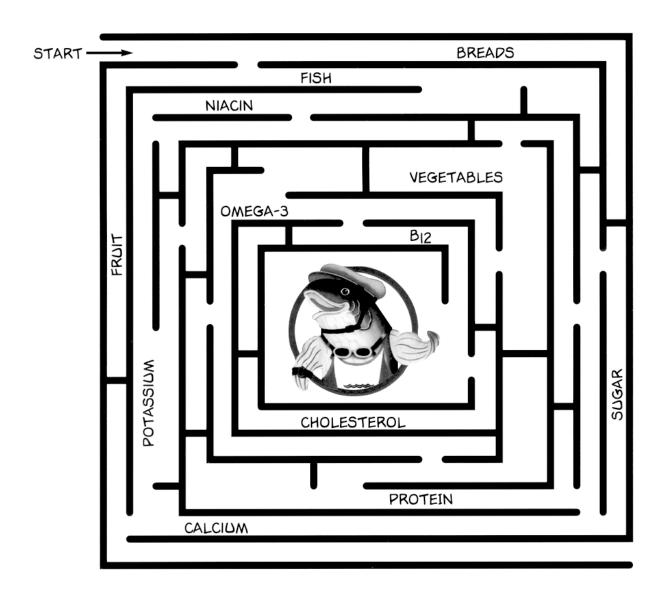
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Get Tommy Trout Home

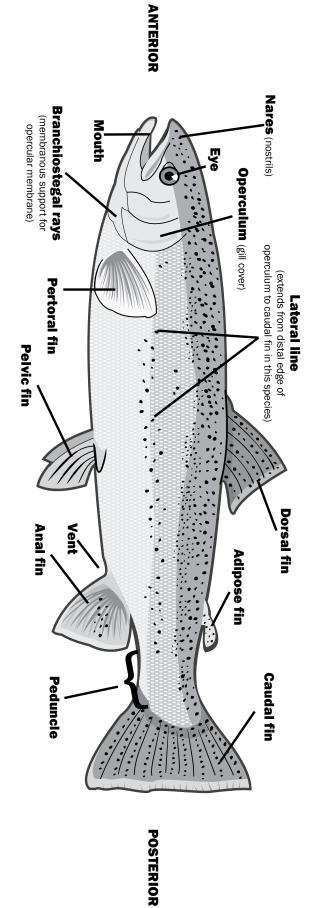
Help Tommy Trout find his way through the River Maze

Circle all the words you pass on your way through the maze. These are some of the nutrients in Rainbow Trout.

Cross out the words that are not on the correct path. These are not found in Rainbow Trout.

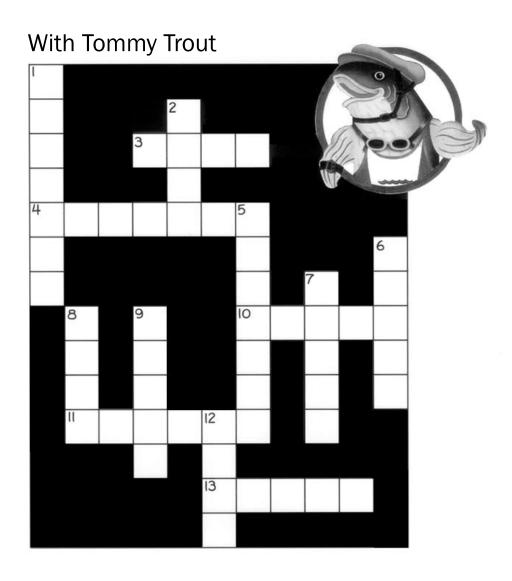


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Fishing for Words



Across

- 3. A place where crops and fish are raised.
- 4. Tiny balls of air.
- 10. The state with the most fish farms.
- 11. Shiny fish shin.
- 13. Breathing slits.

Down

- 1. All the colors of the _____
- 2. Fish swish this to swim.
- 5. Place where water bubbles out of the earth.
- 6. A tasty, healthy type of fish.
- 7. Fish live in it.
- 8. Fish use them to steer when swimming.
- 9. See-through or transparent.
- 12. Fish lay them.